

Wheat & Barley Movement

July 2008 - December 2008 and

Revised Marketing Year Summary for 2007-2008

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Wheat Movement

Montana wheat shipped to out-of-state destinations during July 2008 through December 2008 was 49.2 million bushels, down 40% from the previous year.

Just over 93% of wheat shipped during this period headed west, totaling 45.7 million bushels, down 36% from a year earlier. Movement to eastern destinations during this period totaled 1.5 million bushels, down 77% from a year ago. Other and unknown destinations totaled 1.9 million bushels, down 48% from a year ago.

Wheat shipped by rail amounted to 47.5 million bushels, 97% of total shipments. Wheat trucked during this period was 1.7 million bushels compared with 2.0 million bushels last year. The percentage of wheat shipped by truck was 3% of the total, which was up 1 percentage point from the previous year.

Barley Movement

Montana barley shipped to out-of-state destinations during the July 2008 to December 2008 period was 4.2 million bushels, down 45% from the same period last year.

Shipments of barley out of Montana headed for western destinations were down 60% from the same period last year, at .9 million bushels. Shipments to eastern destinations were down 35% from last year at 2.6 million bushels. Shipments to other destinations went from 1.5 million bushels last year to .8 million bushels this year.

Barley shipped by rail amounted to 3.9 million bushels, down 3.6 million bushels from last year. Barley hauled by rail was 92% of total movement, down 5 percentage points from the same period last year.

Wheat and Barley Shipments out of Montana from July 2008 through December 2008 ^{1/}

(Reported in Thousands of Bushels)

	Barley	Durum Wheat	Hard White Wheat	Soft White Wheat	Spring Wheat	Winter Wheat	Total Wheat
Shipments By Truck							
West	216	2	3	2	311	944	1,262
East	105	27	--	1	8	5	41
Other & Unknown	16	--	--	1	97	274	372
Total Shipments by Truck	337	29	3	4	416	1,223	1,675
Shipments By Rail							
West	667	10	--	--	16,976	27,476	44,462
East	2,467	923	--	--	570	--	1,493
Other & Unknown	777	1,166	--	--	298	63	1,527
Total Shipments by Rail	3,911	2,099	--	--	17,844	27,539	47,482
Total Shipments	4,248	2,128	3	4	18,260	28,762	49,157

Wheat and Barley Shipments out of Montana from July 2007 through December 2007 ^{1/,2/}

(Reported in Thousands of Bushels)

	Barley	Durum Wheat	Hard White Wheat	Soft White Wheat	Spring Wheat	Winter Wheat	Total Wheat
Shipments By Truck							
West	65	3	76	--	528	700	1,307
East	138	144	--	1	16	7	168
Other & Unknown	--	14	1	--	208	287	510
Total Shipments by Truck	203	161	77	1	752	994	1,985
Shipments By Rail							
West	2,122	288	289	--	27,063	42,654	70,294
East	3,846	6,469	131	--	--	--	6,600
Other & Unknown	1,505	2,042	--	--	995	128	3,165
Total Shipments by Rail	7,473	8,799	420	--	28,058	42,782	80,059
Total Shipments	7,676	8,960	497	1	28,810	43,776	82,044

^{1/} Data is reported by commercial elevators and licensed truckers and is expanded to represent 100% of elevator capacity.

^{2/} Revised.

Wheat and Barley Shipments out of Montana for the Marketing Year of July 2007 - June 2008 ^{1/ 2/}

(Reported in Thousands of Bushels)

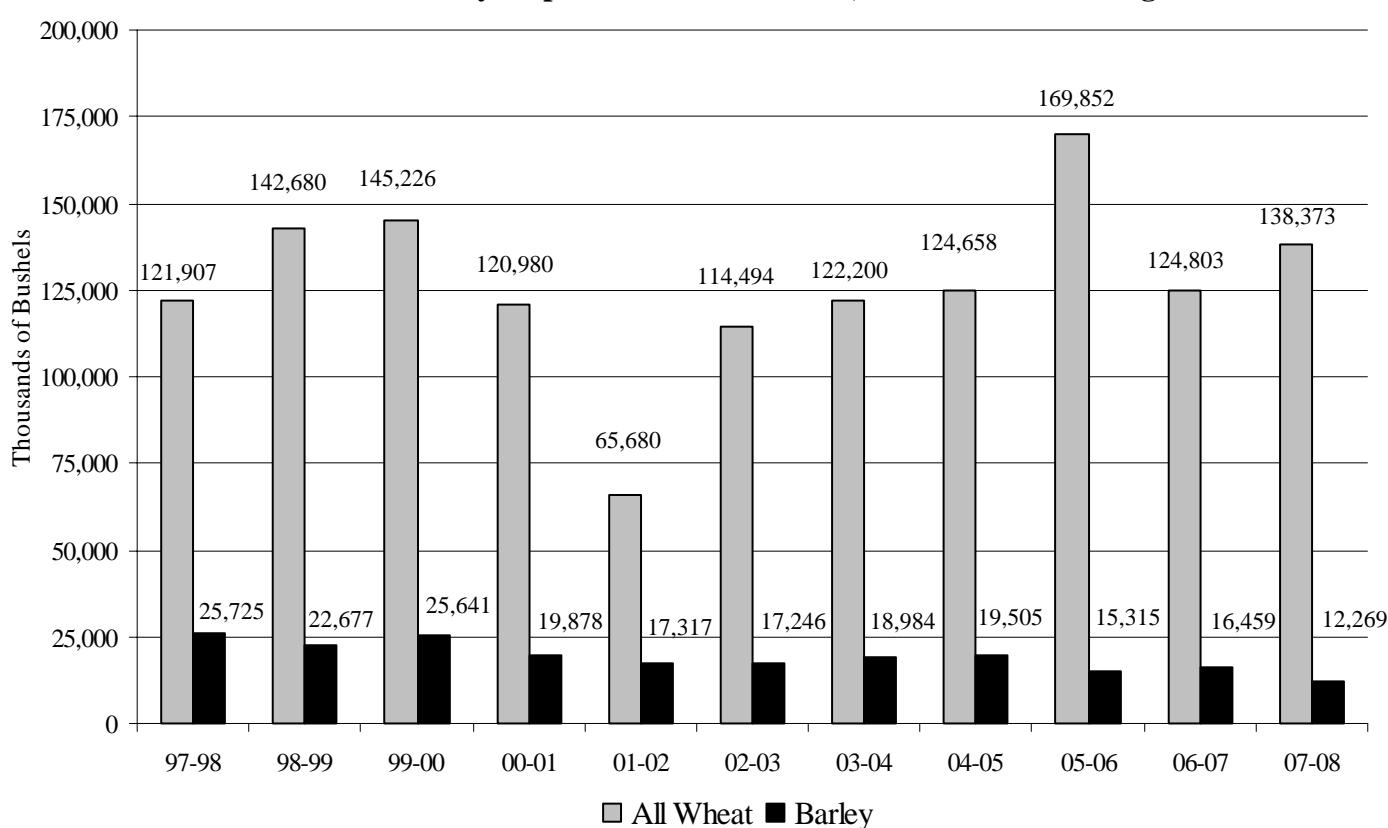
	Barley	Durum Wheat	Hard White Wheat	Soft White Wheat	Spring Wheat	Winter Wheat	Total Wheat
Shipments By Truck							
West	149	64	79	--	990	1,364	2,497
East	235	183	--	8	23	7	221
Other & Unknown	--	17	1	--	343	578	939
Total Shipments by Truck	384	264	80	8	1,356	1,949	3,657
Shipments By Rail							
West	4,040	438	424	17	47,375	72,749	121,003
East	5,012	8,557	250	--	149	21	8,977
Other & Unknown	2,833	3,005	--	--	1,393	338	4,736
Total Shipments by Rail	11,885	12,000	674	17	48,917	73,108	134,716
Total Shipments	12,269	12,264	754	25	50,273	75,057	138,373

Wheat and Barley Shipments out of Montana for the Marketing Year of July 2006 - June 2007 ^{1/ 2/}

(Reported in Thousands of Bushels)

	Barley	Durum Wheat	Hard White Wheat	Soft White Wheat	Spring Wheat	Winter Wheat	Total Wheat
Shipments By Truck							
West	180	26	73	9	826	1,992	2,926
East	209	384	3	7	9	33	436
Other & Unknown	31	40	--	--	732	600	1,372
Total Shipments by Truck	420	450	76	16	1,567	2,625	4,734
Shipments By Rail							
West	3,705	679	931	--	40,996	66,116	108,722
East	8,211	6,089	7	--	263	--	6,359
Other & Unknown	4,123	3,039	--	--	1,412	537	4,988
Total Shipments by Rail	16,039	9,807	938	--	42,671	66,653	120,069
Total Shipments	16,459	10,257	1,014	16	44,238	69,278	124,803

All Wheat and Barley Shipments out of Montana, 1997-2007 Marketing Years ^{2/}



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^{2/} Revised.